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PLANS COMPLETE FOR WELCOME TO GUESTS OF CITY

Reception Wednesday Night Marks Opening Of Congress Here.

Congress of State Mothers and Parent-Teachers In This City.

Meetings To Last Through Three Days Last Of Next Week.

Paris hospitality will be taxed to capacity next week to entertain the delegates from all parts of the state to the Tennessee Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations, which convenes here October 27-29. To date the committee on homes for the delegates, of which Mrs. C. W. McGeehee is chairman, have received the names of ninety delegates who will attend, for whom at present only 27 homes have been procured. Shelby county alone is sending thirty delegates. A special coach from Nashville will bring the large Davidson County delegation, also the many representatives from East Tennessee where the work is perhaps better organized than anywhere in the state, and Chattanooga, Knoxville, Morristown, Kingsport, and other East Tennessee towns will send large numbers of delegates.

The convention program which is announced this week, includes many notable features for this tenth annual meeting, and many prominent speakers will be heard. Delegates are expected to arrive Wednesday afternoon, and will be met by the reception committee and assigned homes. The first evening of the convention will be a social one, and an informal reception for the delegates, their hostesses, and others interested will be given at the Caldwell Hotel. Mrs. Harris Morris has charge of the musical program for the evening.

The report and message of the state president, Mrs. Eugene Crutcher, Nashville, and an address by state superintendent, Prof. J. B. Brown, are the main attractions of the Thursday morning convention session, which, as will all other sessions, are held at the First Methodist Church. Following the registration of delegates and the meeting of executive committees at 8:30 a. m., the calling of the convention to order by the president, and the invocation by Rev. W. C. Waters. Mayor J. R. Rison, Jr., will deliver the address of welcome from the city. Mrs. W. L. Dale from the Parent-Teacher Association to which Mrs. H. F. Minnie of Morristown, one of the ablest workers

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MORE FORCE IS ADDED AT SHOPS

An addition of 16 car repairers and three laborers to the shop forces at the L. & N. this week brings the total additional man allowance for the current month up to 46, and indicates that there is a resumption of business in this section.

An addition to the shop forces was recently chronicled in this paper, at the time the cotton market opened up and the federal reserve district report showed the south's buying power expanding accordingly more than \$56,000,000, business immediately having revived. This week the need for more men was apparent, and 19 more added to the forces. There are now nearly 350 men working on the rip tracks repairing freight cars alone at the local shops.

O'POSSUM HUNTERS DELIGHT ON THESE CRISP OCTOBER NIGHTS

'Possum huntin' is the vogue these delightful crisp October nights, while the harvest moon entices one out of doors, since the first frost has ripened Brer Possum to the final degree of palatable perfection when he is surrounded with new 'taters, corn, and when 'cures that in fest the days' of the past long hot

LIONS PLANNING MEETING OCCASION FOR THE LADIES

At the meeting of the Lions Club Tuesday noon at the Presbyterian Church, the committee on agriculture met the committee from the County Council and some very interesting discussions were heard.

A. B. Lamb was appointed as chairman of a committee, to be selected by him, to provide musical numbers for the meetings of the club.

It was decided to have a ladies night soon, at which time the wives of the Lions will be invited.

Make Ready For Annual Fox Hunt On Blood River

Horns, dogs, horses, 'nervynthins' are getting ready for the big annual fox hunt, which is to be conducted this year at E. F. Malcom's beginning on next Monday, October 24th. The event is under the auspices of the Blood River Fox Hunters Association, although a general invitation is extended to all those admiring the sport. J. E. Jackson is president of the association, and R. R. Hicks, secretary.

FIND SCARCITY DELEGATE HOMES

Parent-Teacher Association Encounters Difficulty Locating Delegates Oct. 27-29.

In the face of the possible scarcity of homes for delegates to the State Parent-Teacher convention here next week, Prof. M. M. Phillips, superintendent of the city schools makes the appended earnest appeal to the 'Homes of Paris.'

To The Homes of Paris, I am availing myself of this means and opportunity of presenting to you a matter that vitally concerns your little city, you, and your children, and I have the confidence in you that you will not fail to rally to a cause when you realize its significance and value.

Many loyal parents, friends and teachers of Paris have maintained a live wide-awake, active and efficient Parent-Teacher Association for the past several years and no one doubts the very efficient service it has rendered the children of our schools. It has accomplished such noteworthy results that it is known all over the state, and even beyond her confines. Such a reputation has caused the Tennessee Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Association to look for an opportunity to meet with us. Hence last spring the local association extended an invitation to this state organization to meet with us in this month, October 27 to 29. The invitation was accepted and already more than eighty delegates have signified their intention of being with us.

This state organization has seldom met heretofore in any of the smaller towns. Most of the meetings have been in Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga, Knoxville and Jackson. Our little city is thus distinctly honored by having this meeting this time.

Now, Homes, what are you going to do about the entertainment of these delegates? At present 27 delegates out of about 125 in slight are provided homes, and it seems that most of the homes 'are been solicited to take delegates. I am sure we cannot afford to fall down in the entertainment of these people. We have too much pride in our historic little city and in the children to let this important matter go unprovided for. Many of us have rented out our rooms and have very few spare rooms, but we can sacrifice our own rooms by putting an extra number of the family in one room for three nights that we may accommodate these visitors. One family said, 'We can go into one small room and give entertainment to two.' Another one said, 'We will take two, and if necessary our family of several, can go into one room, and we can take two more.' Such co-operation as this will entertain these delegates, and in no other way can it be done. I am sure you are going to do your part because of your pride in Paris, and your interest in the childhood of your little city. If you can entertain these delegates, please call Mrs. C. W. McGeehee, telephone 425, give your name and the number you will take. Do not wait for the committee to call on you. Let us make this the best meeting ever held, and if you will put forth the effort you are capable of there will be no doubt about the result. Motto: 'Everybody pulling together for the biggest and best meeting of Tennessee Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Association.'

There is very little news to give this week in tobacco circles. The present crop has all been cured and housed and is now being cured. We know that we have a splendid crop of tobacco, but just what the general character and quality is we can't tell until after it has seasoned out, then come in case, and the colors have set. This cool windy weather is not good while the firing is going on, and it would be better to have milder weather with more moisture, but we are hoping for better firing conditions before long. Three-fourths of the crop we know is of good color and good quality, although we have not been able to give it a close inspection. This is a between season period when very little real information can be given and we will have very little to say about the new crop for the next several weeks.

The association has made some sales this week of hhd. tobacco and independent packers have sold some small lots also. Most of the sales were common to medium leaf selling at 12 to 13 cents, but quite a sprinkling of better stock was sold at 25 cents, but the better grades are becoming very scarce. The bulk of the unsold stock is made up of low and common leaf and lugs, and is in the hands of the Planter's Association. A few lots of old lugs have sold this week at prices ranging from 1-2 to 7 cents.

REVIVAL COMES TO CLOSE NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT

Evangelist Guice To Preach At Morning and Evening Services.

Membership Classes Will Be Formed By Methodists After Meeting.

Spiritual Results Have Been Splendid Says Rev. W. C. Waters.

It has seemed that the Almighty, conspired with the elements to supply ideal weather for the revival campaign which began at the First Methodist Church, Oct. 2, and which is expected to close Sunday, because during these three weeks, the weather has been almost perfect and has added to the intense interest that has been displayed in the revival, enabling many to attend the services twice daily, who would otherwise have had to limit their presence at the church during the meeting; and who hearing one of the splendid gospel sermons being delivered by Rev. Norman Guice, evangelist, are anxious to hear all that he gives. Probably the most impressive sermon that Rev. Guice has yet preached here to the unsaved, was on Tuesday night, when he spoke on 'Prepare to Meet Thy God.' On Sunday night he discussed the 'New-Old Salvation,' and on Monday night, his topic concerned 'A Big Pool.'

The morning services this week have been on 'A Spirit Filled Life.' These appeals most directly to Christians, and the church auditorium is virtually filled at each ten o'clock service.

In addition to the choir and congregational singing which is being led by Mr. Alexander Jones, a solo is added to the song service of each meeting. Soloists this week have been Mrs. Marvin McSwain, Miss Margaret Porter, Mrs. Joel M. Porter, Mr. Frank Colly of Houston, Texas, Miss Ruth Looney, Miss Lorene Landell, Mrs. Robert McGowan, Misses Elizabeth Aden and Volga Rudolph have served as accompanists.

Prayer meetings for the success of the meetings are being held for the men in the basement of the church at seven o'clock each evening, for the young people in another part of the church at the same time, and every afternoon in four or five homes of the town.

Evangelistic sermon both morning and evening on Sunday, and a general mass meeting for everyone in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. Members will not be received into the First Methodist Church until Sunday week, although names are being taken by the pastor, and a church membership class will be formed.

The results of the revival have been splendid, and without doubt the town has been blessed.

BETWEEN SEASONS FOR TOBACCO NEWS

Kennedy Sure Seventy-Five Per Cent Of Crop Is Good Color and Good Quality.

(By W. B. Kennedy.)

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CONFIRM RATE OF TAXING AT COURT MEETING

County Court Holds Special Meeting To Confirm Taxing Rate.

Previous Regular Session In Tie Vote Couldn't Hold Legally.

Strong Opposition To Figure Of Committee Fails To Get Results.

What threatened to develop into a riot for a while in the county court room Wednesday, suddenly stopped with a sound that echoed like a baseball bat striking a sack of potatoes, when the rate of \$1.59 for the 1921 tax assessment as made at the regular meeting of the court the first Monday in October, was confirmed in a special meeting. The vote was 21 to 11 and 20 to 13 in a double-barreled motion before the court, favoring the rate as originally adopted.

It will be remembered that when the tax rate came before the court Monday, October 3rd, in the form of a motion to adopt the rate recommended by committee, the vote stood 14 to 14, and Judge Spaulding cast a vote in favor of the committee's rate, this breaking the deadlock, and putting the rate into effect. Subsequently, after the courts adjourned, it developed that the county judge could not constitutionally cast a vote in such a predicament, and a special meeting of the court was ordered for Wednesday of this week to straighten out the tangle in the parliamentary jungle.

Many of the magistrates reached the city early Wednesday, and began going into the records in the trustee's office at the court-house, and it was soon to be realized that a 'scrap' was on hand, in an effort to reduce the rate below the mark previously set of \$1.59. And it did develop, when the court convened at eleven o'clock, Judge Spaulding opened the issue with a talk in favor of re-adopting the rate of \$1.59. Esq. E. A. Steele from Henry duplicated, County Attorney Frank E. Bryant then went to bat and he pretty well laid the full situation before the magistrates, from a legal view as well as every otherwise. D. L. Jackson got 'out-of-order' and crashed for a spell. The argument drifted to and fro and the whistles blew for twelve bells. Adjournment was taken for an hour to feed the brutes. When the roll was called at

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WORK ON CITY STREETS

NOW ABOUT FINISHING

Repairing the streets of the city will be completed within the coming week, according to City Engineer Holman. Six months ago the streets were, in many instances, almost impassable, particularly at night when the deep holes were being taken. It has required car after car of gravel to fill these holes, and now the streets are in fairly good shape for the winter for 'repaired' streets. However, that is all that may be said for them.

CONDUCTORS L. & N. WIN SENIORITY LAWSUIT

An interesting decision, insofar as the conductors of the L. & N. railway are concerned, was handed down this week by the supreme court of Kentucky. It was in connection with the suit of Conductor Aden against the Order of Railway Conductors, Aden endeavoring to establish two seniority lists, as between freight and passenger service, while the two lists were consolidated after the government took over the operation of the road. The single list was thereafter maintained, and the court ruled that it was still in effect. Therefore, the older men in the service, even if now running freight trains, are entitled to punch their men off passenger runs, provided such other men are lower on the single seniority list.

Bill Possum Gets On Spree; Officer Tracks To a Still

A drunken opossum is given credit by officers for the discovery of one of the largest illicit distilleries ever found in the Chattanooga section, the raiders having been attracted by the reeling marmoset while traversing Walden's Ridge. The still was mounted on a concrete base and had a capacity of 250 gallons. When first seen the opossum appeared to be ill, but upon investigation it was found to have a breath redolent with the juice of the corn. A search of the vicinity was started at once and resulted in finding the still.

DEMOCRAT LIST CANDIDATES IS NOW COMPLETED

Run-Off Primary Election On Saturday Settled All Entries.

Story Failed to Gain Enough Ground To Put Him In Over Holden.

Miss Sallie Puckett Makes An Unusual Race; Vote Heavy.

Saturday's primary run-off election has definitely settled the list of Democratic candidates to enter the general election next fall, and thus the stage is all-set for said election unless the Republicans should entertain hopes of duplicating some of the victories of the last general election; or, possibly, unless some independent candidate should enter the field for sheriff, as there is talk.

The Democratic list, accordingly, as completed is: For sheriff, L. J. Holden; trustee, A. A. Grubbs; register, Sallie Puckett; county clerk, Herman R. Cravens; circuit court clerk, Ivan H. Dale; superintendent public instruction, Joe Roun.

Afion L. Story, who ran 451 votes behind L. J. Holden in the primary three weeks ago for sheriff, and just did beat Jim Lamb into the run-off, was unable to overcome his opponent's lead thusly gained, and was defeated by 610 votes.

Miss Sallie Puckett and Miss Beulah Oliver, having eliminated nine men and one other woman in the primary, and themselves engaged in the runoff primary for the register's office, doubtless inspired the tremendous vote that engaged in the heaviest poll of voters ever counted in Henry County, Miss Puckett winning by a majority of 1,718 votes. The returns from the 27 ballot boxes show the vote as follows: Holden, 2356; Story 2246, majority for Holden of 610; Puckett 3226, Oliver 1608, majority for Puckett 1718.

Saturday's election developed 1400 votes in the court house box of the first district, and 370 votes in the West End box. A total of 1,770 votes polled in the first district, and the heaviest of record. The county as a whole voted over 5,100 ballots.

FIRE INSPECTION TO BE MADE HERE

Tennessee Fire Prevention Association Will Visit City Thursday Next.

Electrical and physical defects of individual fire risks will be thoroughly gone into and the necessary remedy applied in the City of Paris, when the Tennessee Fire Prevention Association committee visits the city on Thursday of next week.

The city council has been formally notified of the committee's visit, and asked to call a special meeting of the council, with the electric, water, fire, and police department heads attending. The committee also requests that at this meeting there also be present the heads of civic bodies such as the Rotary and Lions Clubs, members of the school board, etc.

Mr. I. C. Humphreys, chairman of the city council fire and water committee, with Aldermen Jno. H. Arnett and Dr. C. A. Love are completing arrangements for the meeting on next Thursday. An inspection of the mercantile buildings, the special hazards and school properties in the city as developed in a recent special investigation here, will supply the main data for furthering the remedial plans of the committee. Improvements and changes as recommended by the committee will be sought by the city heads. The object of the movement is a reduction in fire insurance rates, and full co-operation will doubtless be extended by all parties concerned.

Truck Brakes Fail To Work; Man Run Over and Bruised

Joe Kimball, 23 years old, employed at the L. & N. shops was run down and badly bruised Thursday afternoon by a grocery truck, when the brakes failed to hold going down grade. The truck belonged to the Co-Operative Grocery Company, and was being driven by the negro delivery boy, going down the W. Blythe street grade when it got away from the driver just as Kimball stepped out from behind a wagon going in the opposite direction.

ROTARIANS LAUNCH BOYS WORK PLANS

Initial Movement To Help Boys In Various Ways Portrayed At Banquet Table.

Much appreciative enthusiasm over the club's boys work campaign was created at the luncheon at the Presbyterian Church Friday evening, when the board of education, the superintendents, and the teachers of the Paris schools were the guests of the Paris Rotary Club. Around a huge and sumptuous banquet board over fifty gathered in friendly sociability, to hear the Rotarians' plans for the boys work discussed and to voice their approval.

Five minute speeches were made by J. R. Rison, Jr., F. D. Bryant, H. L. Patterson, M. M. Phillips, W. J. Holman, J. H. Bayer, C. D. Trevathan.

The Rotarian boys work, which is being taken up by Rotary Clubs all over the nation, comes under seven separate heads, and strives to help all boys, and to make their life in the community, bigger, happier, and better. Rotarians become counselors and friends to fatherless boys, they aid boys of reduced family circumstances to procure a full education, they work to develop boys mentally, physically, and morally to the highest degree.

Rev. H. L. Patterson, local master of the boy scouts, is chairman of the boys work committee of the Paris Rotary Club. In two or three weeks, a census of all the boys in Paris between the ages of one and eighteen will be taken. This will serve to give the committee a sort of tab on the boy life of the town, and will be a working basis to find out what the boys of Paris do with their idle moments, and to help fill these moments with proper and wholesome amusement, or to help these find jobs who need and desire them.

The second portion of the Rotary plan for the boys consists of looking after delinquency among the youth, of locating any such unfortunate boys in the correct reform or industrial school, where they can be learned to outgrow and overcome their weak traits.

A major interest will be the promotion of the physical development of the boys, a universal boosting of athletics and concerns such as swimming, a playground, a swimming pool, and a gymnasium. This phase of the work will be particularly stressed by the Rotarians, who are aware of the huge appeal it will make to the boys, and the good it will accomplish.

The fourth division of the campaign stresses the stay in school movement, and consists of much personal work by the Rotarians among the boys, the getting in touch with the boys in grammar and high school, encouraging them to get an education rather than to quit school and go to work, the furnishing of financial assistance where necessary, the support of and co-operation with the schools. No more important interest in boys welfare is included in the work.

Helping the boy 'find himself', enabling him to be suitably fitted for his life work, assisting him in choosing and adopting an occupation for which he is qualified will be emphasized in the Rotary promotion of vocational education. The spiritual education is called to attention in the sixth portion of the campaign plans though not stressed, although the part the spiritual occupies in a lad's life is strongly recognized.

A boys' week will be planned by the Rotary Club for the first week in May, and many interesting events are to be arranged for the seven days that will belong primarily to boys' welfare.

HOUSE DESTROYED BY SATURDAY FIRE

A defective flue was said to be the cause of the conflagration which completely destroyed the residence of Kelly Hathaway, across the L. & N. tracks west of Paris, at five o'clock, Saturday afternoon. Although beyond the city limits, the city hose reached to the scene of the fire, and protected the flames from spreading. The loss was almost total, as there was small insurance on the house.

RAIL STRIKE IS INEVITABLE SAY HIGH OFFICIALS

General Chairman McCall Is Sure Employees Will Not Give In.

Railroads Make Plans For Operating Trains In Event Crisis.

Paris Line Ordered Out On Morning November 1st Six O'Clock.

'A strike on the railroads is inevitable unless the railroads agree to the ultimatum of the employees,' said General Chairman Jas. W. McCall, when interviewed in his office in the Henry County Auto building Monday by a reporter from 'The Parisian' office.

According to Mr. McCall, who is general chairman of the entire L. & N. system, for the conductors organization, and who recently returned from the Chicago conference, the Paris line of the L. & N. will go out on the strike at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning, November 1st, the L. & N. lines being in the second group called out—the first group going out on the last day of October. The strike embraces every first-class railroad in the United States.

Mr. McCall is leaving Sunday for Cleveland, where he will act as a member of the committee representing the four big brotherhoods, and where negotiations will be concluded with the railway executives, if they have any propositions further to make.

The head officials of the L. & N. and N. C. & St. L. railroads which route through Paris have assured the public that if the strike materializes the railroads will do their best to maintain service as far as possible.

From the best information obtainable the local railroad employees voted over 99 per cent to strike unless the railroads countermanded the 12 1-2 per cent wage reduction that was applied as of July 1st.

In an effort to maintain what reduction has been made and as a factor in combating the strike resolution, the railroads are proposing another immediate reduction of 10 per cent in wages and are proposing to 'pass it to the public' in the way of reduced freight rates. Application accordingly goes to the federal railroad labor board, which government agency authorized the July 1st 12 1-2 per cent reduction.

Supt. A. B. Scates of the L. & N. was in the city Tuesday night going over the situation with local officials, and President Cole of the N. & C. passed through the city the same day en route to Paducah and return in his private car accompanied by other officials.

The strike call indicates that, under pressure, the railway union leaders will seek to cut off mail train service as well as passenger and freight trains.

Any strike probably will involve something less than two million men, according to an estimate made by Samuel M. Pelton, president of the Chicago Great Western.

While the brotherhoods and the switchman's union are seemingly the moving factors in directing the walk-out, 11 other railway unions, embodying virtually all classes of rail labor, have given at least some support.

It is said most of them have secretly voted in favor of a strike.

The largest group is that of the federated shop crafts whose membership totals 475,000.

'The public had best get its walking shoes on,' said B. M. Jewell, president of the Railway Employees' Department of the American Federation of Labor. 'I don't understand that the train instructions contemplate the operation of a single train.'

Grove Comet Out In New Style Is More Acceptable

Patrons of Grove School will be interested in the first edition this fall of the school monthly magazine, the Grove Comet, which was issued from the Parisian press this week.

The Comet this year appears in new attire, newspaper form, which besides making a stronger appeal to the advertisers is a more lively, spicier, and more up to date school publication. Joe Johnson, Comet business manager, has the capable assistance this year of William Porter Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Porter in Major Virginia Weldon, of the senior class, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Weldon, is editor in chief, and the other Comet staff members are leaders in student activities, and in their classes at Grove.

The school magazine has a large circulation, and the local advertisers are very liberal in their support of it.